

**New Jersey Department of Transportation  
Matawan Road (CR516) over Route 18 Bridge Deck Replacement  
Township of Old Bridge, Middlesex County  
Public Information Center (Pre-Construction)  
Thursday, January 14, 2016 from 4:00 – 7:00 PM**

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The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT), committed to developing transportation improvements that best balance transportation needs, the environment, community concerns and cost, will hold a **Public Information Center** to inform local residents and businesses about the proposed **Matawan Road (CR516) over Route 18 Bridge Deck Replacement Project in the Township of Old Bridge, Middlesex County**. You are encouraged to actively participate by providing comments at the meeting, by mail or by e-mail.

### **The Meetings**

The Public Information Center will be held on **Thursday, January 14, 2016 in the Council Chamber located in the Administration Building of the Old Bridge Municipal Complex, One Old Bridge Plaza, Old Bridge from 4 - 7 pm**. Please plan to attend at a time that is convenient for you. The meeting will provide an opportunity to view information on the design plans and NJDOT staff will be on hand to answer any questions. Property owners of rental units are advised that tenants are also invited and encouraged to participate.

### **Background**

NJDOT desires to replace the structurally deficient bridge deck of the County Route 516 over Route 18 Bridge (Structure Number 1211-152) in Old Bridge Township, Middlesex County as part of its bridge deck replacement program. Matawan Road (CR516) is an Urban Minor Arterial on the Federal Aid Highway system traversing Middlesex County generally in the East/West Direction. At the location of the bridge over Route 18 the roadway consists of one (1) 12 foot lane in each direction, a three (3) foot shoulder, a six (6)

foot sidewalk, and one (1) foot concrete parapet on the westbound side, a 13 foot auxiliary lane, a 1 foot-6 inch brush curb, and a one (1) foot concrete parapet on the eastbound side. The total bridge width is 49 feet-6 inches out-to-out radial. The existing speed limit is 45 MPH. The proposed scope of work includes in-kind replacement of the bridge deck, replacement of the impact damaged south fascia girder over Route 18 northbound, and incidental bearing replacement and minor superstructure and substructure repairs.

### **Traffic Control / Detour**

To accelerate the construction with minimal disturbance to the community a detour is needed as part of a two-stage construction scheme. The detour of CR516 westbound traffic by routing vehicles to the ramp from CR516 westbound to Route 18 northbound is recommended considering all traffic impacts. Traffic will then follow Route 18 northbound for 0.6 miles to the reverse jughandle at the intersection with Hillsdale Road to make a U-turn. The detour route then proceeds on Route 18 southbound to the exit ramp for CR516/CR527 where it ends on the west side of the bridge. This detour route, approximately 1.7 miles long, includes one signalized intersection at Hillsdale Road and is expected to be in place for about six (6) months. Additionally, to accommodate CR516 westbound emergency vehicle access, temporary portable traffic signals with pre-emption will be provided. A sketch of the detour is included as an attachment to this notice.

### **Estimated Project Schedule**

Construction Start	February 1, 2016
Substantial Completion	September 16, 2016

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#### **For further information, please contact:**

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